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SUBJECT: XZ-09-0004 / YEH1K / NAWAB, ARSHAD - INTERCEPTED CONVERSATIONS OF CELLULAR PHONE NUMBER 92-300-231-7612 UTILIZED BY ARSHAD NAWAB - POTENTIAL HEROIN TRAFFICKING FROM PAKISTAN TO NORTH KOREA BY THE NAWAB DTO.

CCX: WP-09-0004 / TSAMBOS, PETER R1-09-0270 / WARDAK, TARIQ

ACTION REQUEST TO DEA BEIJING CO AND DUBAI CO. (PARAGRAPHS 9 AND 10)

- 11. (SBU) THE ISLAMABAD COUNTRY OFFICE (ICO) IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE PAKISTAN ANTI-NARCOTICS FORCE SPECIAL INVESTIGATION UNIT (ANF/SIU) HAS AN ACTIVE INVESTIGATION INTO THE ARSHAD NAWAB POLYDRUG/PRECURSOR CHEMICAL (HEROIN, HASHISH, ACETIC ANHYDRIDE) TRAFFICKING ORGANIZATION. IN MARCH 2009, THE MAIN TARGET OF THIS INVESTIGATION, ARSHAD NAWAB COORDINATED A 20 KILOGRAM HEROIN SHIPMENT TO MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA. IN MARCH 2009, THE ICO, WORKING IN CONJUNCTION WITH PAKISTAN CUSTOMS AND THE AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL POLICE (AFP) CONDUCTED AN INTERNATIONAL CONTROLLED DELIVERY (ICD) FROM PAKISTAN TO AUSTRALIA. THE ICD RESULTED IN THE ARREST OF THREE ORGANIZED CRIME MEMBERS IN AUSTRALIA. THE INVESTIGATION ALSO IDENTIFIED TARIQ WARDAK, WHO RESIDES IN LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, AS A POSSIBLE MONEY REMITTER AND DIRECT MEMBER OF THE NAWAB DTO.
- 12. (SBU) ICO DEBRIEFINGS OF CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE, CS-85-039697 (CS), HAVE REVEALED THAT NAWAB CONSISTENTLY PROPOSITIONS THE CS TO ASSIST WITH THE ILLICIT IMPORTATION OF METRIC TONS OF ACETIC ANHYDRIDE INTO PAKISTAN. NAWAB ALSO REQUESTED THE CS TO ASSIST IN THE INTERNATIONAL EXPORTATION OF KILOGRAM QUANTITIES OF AFGHANISTAN HEROIN AND METRIC TONS OF HASHISH FROM PAKISTAN TO CANADA AND SOUTH EAST/SOUTH WEST ASIA. THE CS INFORMED AGENTS THAT NAWAB'S LEGITIMATE BUSINESS CONSISTS OF IMPORTING MISCELLANEOUS COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS FROM CHINA TO PAKISTAN.
- 13. (SBU) DURING THE PAST YEAR, THE ICO REQUESTED THAT THE ANF/SIU MONITOR NAWAB'S CELLULAR TELEPHONE NUMBER (92-300-231-7612) TO GATHER GREATER INTELLIGENCE INTO THE NAWAB DTO.
- 14. (SBU) ON AUGUST 24, 2009 THE ANF/SIU PROVIDED THE ICO WITH A COMPREHENSIVE LIST OF INTERCEPTED PHONE CONVERSATIONS FOR PHONE NUMBER 92-300-231-7612 DATING FROM JUNE 1, 2009 TO AUGUST 8, 2009. (AGENT'S NOTE: THE ANF/SIU TRANSLATED LINE SHEETS HAVE BEEN REDACTED

AND ARE MISSING IMPERATIVE INFORMATION RELATED TO INTERNATIONAL CELLULAR TELEPHONE NUMBERS AND SPECIFIC DRUG RELATED CONVERSATION).

- 15. (SBU) BASED UPON AN ICO REVIEW OF INTERCEPTED CONVERSATIONS, IT IS BELIEVED THAT NAWAB HAD PURCHASED CONEX TYPE SHIPPING CONTAINERS FROM UNKNOWN PERSONS (NO NUMBER LISTED) THAT WILL BE USED FOR SHIPPING 'FABRIC' TO THE SEAPORT IN NAMPHO, NORTH KOREA. THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS CONVERSATION STEMS FROM A RECENT JOINT ICO/PAKISTAN CUSTOMS INVESTIGATION (AUGUST 2009) WHICH IDENTIFIED CONTAINERIZED SHIPMENTS OF FABRICS ORIGINATING FROM KARACHI, PAKISTAN DESTINED FOR CHINA. EACH CONTAINER WAS LATER IDENTIFIED TO CONCEAL A SIGNIFICANT QUANTITY OF HEROIN. (AGENT'S NOTE: THE INVESTIGATION IS NOT RELATED TO THE NAWAB DTO, HOWEVER; IT ILLUSTRATES A CONCEALMENT METHOD THAT THE NAWAB DTO MAY UTILIZE).
- 16. (SBU) BASED UPON THIS BACKGROUND INFORMATION RELATED TO THE NAWAB DTO, THE ICO BELIEVES THAT SUFFICIENT EVIDENCE EXISTS TO SUPPORT THE PROBABILITY THAT NAWAB IS SHIPPING HEROIN CONCEALED IN SHIPPING CONTAINERS TO ORGANIZATIONAL OR ASSOCIATED CRIMINAL GROUPS BASED IN NAMPHO, NORTH KOREA. ADDITIONAL WIRE INTERCEPTED CONVERSATIONS INDICATED THAT NAWAB INFORMED AN UNKNOWN CALLER THAT A SHIPMENT IS DESTINED FOR "FOB NIMPHO POT NORTH KOREA" (VERBATIM FROM THE LINE SHEETS). THE ICO INTERPRETED THIS TO MEAN 'FREIGHT ON BOARD NAMPHO PORT, NORTH KOREA'. (AGENT'S NOTE: THE CS INFORMED AGENTS THAT IF NAWAB IS PURCHASING SHIPPING CONTAINERS THEN THERE EXISTS A HIGH PROBABILITY THAT HE (NAWAB) IS USING THEM TO SUPPORT HIS HEROIN TRAFFICKING ACTIVITY).
- 17. (SBU) THE WIRE INTERCEPTS HAVE ALSO IDENTIFIED OTHER PERTINENT CONVERSATIONS BETWEEN NAWAB AND HIS ASSOCIATE IDENTIFIED ONLY AS

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- YOUNAS. INTERCEPTED CONVERSATIONS INDICATED THAT YOUNAS USES TELEPHONE NUMBER, 861-348-650-0333. ADDITIONAL WIRE INTERCEPTS FURTHER IDENTIFIED A CONVERSATION BETWEEN NAWAB AND HIS ASSOCIATE KNOWN ONLY AS MUHAMMAD JAN, WHO USES THE FOLLOWING UNITED ARAB EMIRATES (UAE) PHONE NUMBER: 971-50-452-2615.
- 18. (SBU) NAWAB ALSO CONFERRED WITH UNKNOWN PERSONS (NO NUMBER LISTED) ABOUT HAWALADARS GHAZI DIN AND HAJI AMIN, CONCERNING THE ARRANGEMENT OF 30 LAC PAKISTAN RUPEES (\$36,585.00 US).

## ACTION REQUEST

- 19. (SBU) THE ICO REQUESTS THAT THE BEIJING COUNTRY OFFICE OBTAIN TOLL AND SUBSCRIBER INFORMATION ON CHINESE TELEPHONE NUMBER, 861-348-650-0333 FOR THE TIME PERIOD JUNE 1, 2009 TO AUGUST 31, 12009. ADDITIONALLY, PLEASE CONDUCT ALL CRIMINAL CHECKS ON THE NUMBER AND INDIVIDUALS ASSOCIATED WITH THE NUMBER.
- 110. (SBU) THE ICO REQUESTS THAT THE DUBAI COUNTRY OFFICE OBTAIN TOLL AND SUBSCRIBER INFORMATION ON UAE PHONE NUMBER, 971-50-452-2615 FOR THE TIME PERIOD JUNE 1, 2009 TO AUGUST 31, 2009. ADDITIONALLY, PLEASE CONDUCT ALL CRIMINAL CHECKS ON THE NUMBER AND INDIVIDUALS ASSOCIATED WITH THE NUMBER.
- 111. (U) IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DEA AGENTS MANUAL SECTION 6242.11, THIS TELETYPE WAS PREPARED IN LIEU OF A DEA-6, REPORT OF INVESTIGATION.
- 112. (U) PLEASE DIRECT ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS CABLE TO SA JOSEPH M. LABENBURG OR ACTING COUNTRY ATTACH MICHAEL W. BROWN AT PHONE NUMBER 011-92-51-208-2747.

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